

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

This application relates to a material which is suitable for the treatment of atopic disease, non-atopic eczema or psoriasis. The material can be extracted from a freeze-dried decoction of a mixture comprising the following Chinese herbs: *Radix Ledebouriella*, *Fructus Tribuli*, *Herba Potentilla chinensis*, *Caulis Clematis armandii*, *Radix Rehmannia*, *Radix Glycyrrhiza*, *Radix Paeonia rubra*, *Cortex Dictamni radicis*, *Herba Lopatheri*, *Spica Schizonepetae*. The material comprises one or more of those components present in the freeze-dried decoction which run with Rf values in the ranges 0.00 to 0.100, 0.167 to 0.300, 0.400 to 0.533, 0.700 to 0.833 or 0.900 to 0.967 if the freeze-dried decoction is diluted in aqueous solution and subjected to chromatography on a Whatman 2cms x 55cms x 3mm cellulose strip for 10 hours using a solvent mixture of butanol, ethanol and water in the proportions 4:1:1.